

St. Joseph Ridge Parish

W2601 State Rd 33 • La Crosse • Wisconsin • 54601

November 14, 2021

PASTOR

Fr. Biju Chennala Kunjukutty, MSFS...715-495-2338
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WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

(limited capacity 125 persons)

Saturday.....4:00pm

Sunday.....8:30am

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

First Saturday Mass.....8:30am

Monday5:30pm

Tuesday.....Adoration5:00 pm

Mass.....5:30pm

Thursday.....8:30am

CONFESSIONS

First Saturday after Mass or by appointment

PARISH OFFICE

Amy Stafslie, Admin. Assist.....608-788-1646

Bulletin deadline:Wednesday

sgrp2601@gmail.com

Open most Tuesdays and Fridays

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Coordinators: Stacy Burns and Paula Silha

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

Mary Jo Hess (Secretary), Terry Dickman, Dave Brown (B&G and Cemetery Rep), Barb Braun and Dan Steiger

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Dave Brown (Cemetery Rep), Teresa Brown, Lori Clements (PCCW Rep), Stan Clements, Ann Degenhardt, Terry Dickman (Finance Council Rep), Bob Kotek, and Bill Weber (Secretary), Stacy Burns and Paula Silha (CRE's)

PCCW - Parish Council of Catholic Women

Lori Clements (President), Mary Jo Hess (Treasurer), Jill Murphy (Secretary), Polly Hilby (Funeral Prep)

CEMETERY SEXTON

Dave Brown608-792-1006

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Stacy Burns, Coordinator.....608-769-8828

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Leland Gregorich, Accompanist

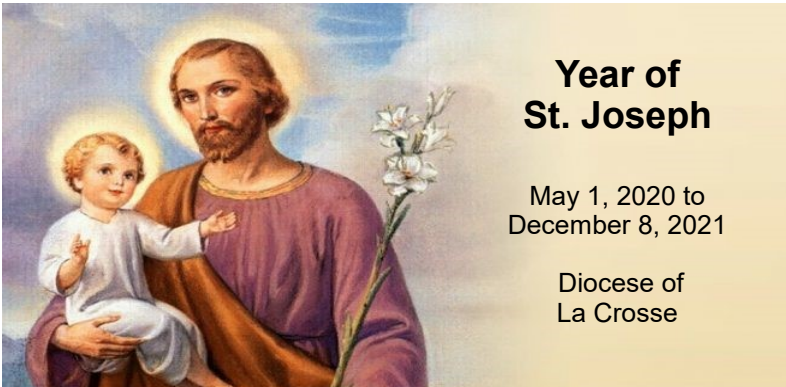
CALL THE PARISH OFFICE TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR:

- Joining the Parish
- Weddings or Baptisms
- Anointing of the sick (also call Fr. Biju cell phone)
- If you are home-bound & would like to be visited



33rd SUNDAY *in ordinary time*

"Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away." - Mk 13:31



**Year of
St. Joseph**

May 1, 2020 to
December 8, 2021

Diocese of
La Crosse

PARISH INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, November 13th

The 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

-4:00pm Mass -†Clarence Meyers

Lector: Bill Weber Ushers: Volunteers

SUNDAY, November 14th

The 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

-8:30am Mass -Our Parish Family

Lector: Paula Silha Ushers: Volunteers

MONDAY, November 15th

St. Albert the Great

-5:30pm Mass -NO MASS

TUESDAY, November 16th

St. Margaret of Scotland and St. Gertrude

-8:30 AM Mass -†George and David Walter

THURSDAY, November 18th

The Dedication of the Basilicas of SS Peter and Paul Apostles and St.

Rose Philippine Duchesne

-8:30am Mass -†Mary Lampert

SATURDAY, November 20th

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

-4:00pm Mass -†Ralph and Evelyn Mikshowsky

Lector: Donnie Weber Ushers: Volunteers

SUNDAY, November 21st

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

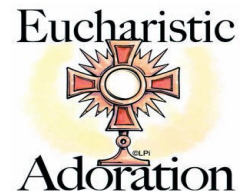
-8:30am Mass -†Carol and Frank Seebauer

Lector: Sally Miller Ushers: Volunteers

PARISH CALENDAR

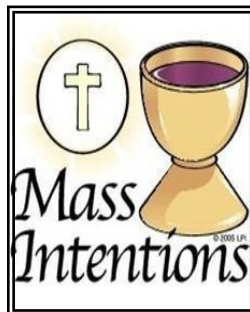
- **November 15 ~ No Mass, Fr. Biju out of town**
- **November 16 ~ Mass will be at 8:30 AM.** There will be **NO Adoration or Mass in the evening.** Fr. Biju has a conflicting Deanery Meeting.
- **November 17 ~ RE Class (Gr 1-5, 6-6:55 PM; Gr 6-10, 7:00-8:15 PM)**
- **November 24 ~ No RE Class, Happy Thanksgiving!**
- **November 28 ~ First Sunday of Advent**
- **December 1 ~ RE Class (Gr 1-5, 6-6:55 PM; Gr 6-10, 7:00-8:15 PM)**
- **December 8 ~ The Immaculate Conception of The Blessed Virgin Mary, 6 PM Mass, St. Joseph Parish ~ No regular RE Class, Mass for All ~ 8 PM Mass, St. Peter Parish**
- **December 11/12~Retirement Fund for Religious Collection**
- **December 14 ~ Finance Council Meeting, 7 PM**
- **December 15 ~ RE Class (Gr 1-5, 6-6:55 PM; Gr 6-10, 7:00-8:15 PM)**
~ **Confessions for All, 6 PM until no persons present**

**Adoration of the
Blessed Sacrament
is held each Tuesday from
5:00pm until Mass at 5:30pm.**



Mass Intentions

We have openings for **weekday** intentions: Feb 17, 22, 24, & 28. We have open **First Saturdays**, 8:30 AM beginning March 5th. Next **Weekend** Mass opening February 20 and March 6. For questions contact the parish office 788-1646 or sjrp2601@gmail.com. Mass Intentions envelopes are available in the back of church.



Diocesan Annual Appeal 2021-2022			
	11/12/2021	Total Pledged	Total Payments
Pledged/Received		\$8,300.00	\$8,090.00
Target Amount		\$21,850.00	\$21,850.00
Under Target		(\$13,550.00)	(\$13,760.00)
Number of families contributing: 17			
Percent goal pledged: 37.99%/Received:37.03%			

GIFT'S RETURNED TO GOD

Last Week in Giving—182 envelope holders

Adult Envelopes(39):	\$1220.00
Offertory:	\$339.00
Votive Lights:	\$96.50
All Saints Day (3):	\$50.00



**Thank
You!**

DID YOU KNOW?

If you are 70 ½ or older, you can do a qualified charitable distribution (QCD) of up to \$100,000 a year from your IRA directly to a charity. The distribution won't show up in your adjusted gross income and CAN count toward your required minimum distribution (RMD). The QCD allows you to be more strategic with your RMD.

Consult your tax advisor before making any decisions. If a QCD is for you, please consider St. Joseph Parish as your charity of choice.

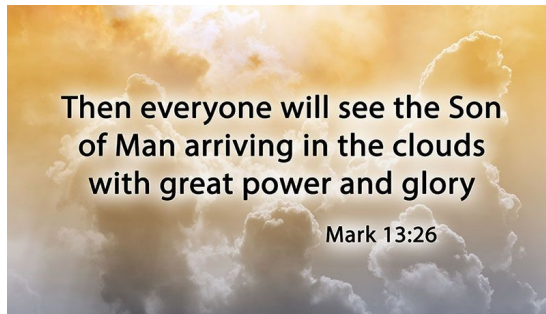
Donations: Here are some ways to contribute:

- Use the online giving portal set up by the Diocese: <https://diolc.org/st-joseph-parish-st-joseph-ridge/> (processing fees will be deducted from your contribution, which average 3% for debit and credit cards and \$.75 for EFT, ACH)
- **Drop off** a contribution in the church donation box
- **Mail in** your weekly/monthly offering to parish office (W2601 State Road 33, La Crosse, WI 54601)
- If you use online banking and would like make your contribution using **bill pay**, set up St. Joseph Ridge Parish as a payment and the bank will mail it directly to the parish.

FROM THE PASTOR'S PEN



Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



The readings for the Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time speak to us through an apocalyptic language and image. The Prophet Daniel (12:1-3) and Jesus (Mark 13:24-32) both describe cosmic signs that God's plan is nearing culmination. We hear from the first readings "Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake" and in the gospel "And then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in the clouds'"

Take a moment to ponder these words from today's gospel. "And then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in the clouds.'" How does this image make you feel? If we find ourselves reacting with a sense of dread or fear, we have to step back and ask why. Our answer will reveal a great deal about our relationship with God. In order for these words to carry any type of significant meaning for us, they have to resonate with and touch us on a deeper level to the extent of interior transformation. If we believe that we are meant to love in union with God eternally and that death does not diminish us, then it is worth our time and effort to wait in vigilant hope of the Lord's coming. Our journey back to God is something beautiful to be desired, not dreaded or feared.

Have a wonderful week!

Live Jesus, Fr. Biju

February Friday Fun Night—Fundraiser

Gun Raffle

Tickets are \$10 each (only 500 will be sold) and will be available after Mass or by contacting the Parish office or Fr. Biju. **Parishioners are encouraged to pick up tickets to sell**, so that this fundraiser is a success for our parish. Money and stubs can be put in an envelope and dropped in the collection basket at church.

- 1st Prize: Ruger American Camo 350 Legend
- 2nd Prize: Weatherby 12 ga, Automatic
- 3rd Prize: Browning A-Bolt Synthetic 243
- 4th Prize: Legends LSI Pointers 12 ga. Automatic
- 5th Prize: Savage Axis XP-243 w/scope

Save the date: Friday, February 25, 2022

More information about the evening event to follow in December.

PARISH NEWS

Choir News—Calling all Voices!

Christmas is right around the corner and we want to expand our choir numbers. If you have ever wanted to be in the choir, NOW is the time to come on up to the choir loft and join us! All ages welcome! Call Stacy Burns if you have any questions 608-769-8828.



Cemetery Flower Removal

Please help out by removing all live flowers from the sites of your loved ones. Discarded pots should be placed in the trailer located in the parking lot. Any flowers or urns left in the cemetery will be removed by cemetery personnel very soon. Urns will be marked by gravesite and stored for the winter in the basement of the church.



Mass Time Changes—Monday and Tuesday This Week

Fr. Biju will be out of town on Monday and has cancelled Mass. On Tuesday he has a Deanery Meeting conflicting with the Mass time. Tuesday Mass will be at 8:30 AM. There will be no evening Adoration or Mass on Tuesday.

PCCW Christmas Party

This party is open to all ladies of the parish and will be held on Tuesday, December 7th at The Ridge Restaurant, starting with a 6 PM social and dinner at 6:30 PM. **Please sign up** on the sheet in the back of church, so we may prepare for the number attending.

November Book of Remembrance

During the month of November we honor the faithfully departed. The Book of Remembrance is a place for parishioners write the names of departed loved ones. Feel free to inscribe those whom you have lost this past year in the book located in the back of church.

Parish Facilities Projects Update

The latest project to be completed was the tuck pointing on the Rectory garage by Steiger Construction.

The following projects have been contracted and are awaiting completion:

- ◆ Replace the exterior exit doors each side of the church altar
- ◆ Tuck-pointing the brick on the church bell tower
- ◆ Painting around church windows



DIOCESAN/COMMUNITY NEWS

Aquinas High School Proudly Presents: "The Sound of Music"

November 12 at 7:30 pm, November 13 at 2:00pm and November 14 at 2:00pm. Located at the Aquinas Campbell Theater. Tickets: \$10 general seating and can be purchased at the Aquinas High School office or at the door 30 minutes prior to performance. Masks will be required of the audience members.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter—Nov 19-21

After the last year-plus of pandemic life, many of us are looking for a fresh start. Consider attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter experience. Upcoming date November 19th-21st in Holstein, IA. Also, call for information on a 2022 date in the Diocese of La Crosse. Register at iowa-wwme.org or call 563-608-3305 with any questions.

40th Annual La Crosse Community Thanksgiving Dinner—Nov 25

This inclusive community dinner is open to the public. To make this type of offering on such a large scale **volunteers are needed**. If you are able to help out please sign up by going to our website at: <http://www.laxthanksgivingdinner.com>. This website also contains updates about the dinner. **2021 Event Schedule** : 10am: Doors Open; 10:30am: Thanksgiving Nondenominational Worship Service; 11am – 3pm – Dinner's Available for Dine-In, Carry-Out, and Delivery

ST. MARY'S ANNUAL CRAFT SHOW ~ SAT, DEC 4, 2021

Come join the fun and find that one of a kind gift for the Holiday Season from several local vendors and crafters. Open from 8:00 AM-1:30 PM at the Coon Valley Village Hall, 108 Roosevelt St. Concessions available throughout the show. Visit our website: stmarycv.org and click on the Craft Show tab for information, or contact Nancy Peters at 608-790-6034 Peters@mw.net

Cookie Walk and Craft Sale—Dec 11

Mary, Mother of the Church Parish will be holding their Cookie Walk & Craft Sale on Saturday, December 11, at the Parish Hall located at 2006 Weston Street, La Crosse, from 7:30 AM - 1:00 PM. Homemade cookies will be sold by the pound, plus homemade Candies, Breads, Pies, Handcrafted Items and Scrip Gift Cards available for sale. Serving Continental Breakfast and Lunch (homemade soup and chili). Raffles and hourly Door Prizes.

KIDS CORNER

L I V E B E G A N T M H
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Daniel's Prophecy Word-Find

*What was Daniel
talking about?
Find all the words
from the reading that
are in CAPITALS.
The leftover letters
will give you the
answer.*

In those DAYS, I, DANIEL, HEARD this word of the LORD:
"At that time there shall ARISE MICHAEL,
the GREAT PRINCE,
guardian of your people;

Daniel 12:1-3

it shall be a time unsurpassed in DISTRESS
since NATIONS BEGAN until that time.
At that time your people shall ESCAPE,
EVERYONE WHO is found WRITTEN in the book.

"MANY of those who SLEEP in the dust of the EARTH
shall awake;
some shall LIVE FOREVER,
others shall be an everlasting HORROR and disgrace.

"But the WISE shall SHINE brightly
like the SPLENDOR of the firmament,
and those who lead the many to JUSTICE
shall be like the STARS forever.

Answer: The end of time.

St. Peters, Middle Ridge

Adoration: Wed. 7:30-9:00 PM

Weekend Mass: Sat. 8:00 PM and Sun. 10:00 AM

Weekday Mass: Wed. and Fri. 8:00 AM

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

- All those who are suffering from the Coronavirus and those who are working tirelessly to help the ill recover.
- All the military men and women who are supporting our freedom.
- All political leaders, may their decisions be made for the good of all citizens, born and unborn.
- For those fighting cancer, especially members of our parish.
- For Mora Mikshowsky and all children suffering with life threatening conditions and illnesses.
- For all Religious in our Diocese, especially Matt Kotek.
- The intentions listed in our parish book of prayer.

To add a request call 608-788-1646 or email sjrp2601@gmail.com

But
of that
day or hour
NO ONE KNOWS

MARK 13:32

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